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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus comprising:

a display screen;

posture detecting means for detecting an angular component of a change of posture of the display screen, ~~the posture detecting means comprising a three-axis gyro sensor;~~

means for setting a first mode in which all of a plurality of separate images configured to be displayed on the display screen are to be rotated, a second mode in which a selected image of the plurality of separate images is to be rotated, and a third mode in which none of the plurality of separate images are to be rotated;

means for selecting the selected image when the second mode is set; and

displaying direction control means for displaying the plurality of separate images on said display screen, and for controlling a direction of display of the selected image by rotating the selected image according to ~~a rotation of said display screen determined by said posture detecting means~~ previously stored read addresses read in accordance with the detected angular component and not rotating at least one of the other of the plurality of images.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein;

said displaying direction control means displays a plurality of windows as the plurality of images, and controls the direction of display of a selected window from the plurality of windows according to the rotation of the display screen.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus comprising:

a display screen;

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posture detecting means for detecting an angular component of a change of posture of the display screen, ~~the posture detecting means comprising a three axis gyro sensor;~~

means for setting a first mode in which all of separate images configured to be displayed on the display screen are to be rotated, a second mode in which an image of the separate images is to be rotated, and a third mode in which none of the separate images are to be rotated;

means for selecting the image when the second mode is set; and

displaying direction control means for displaying the separate images on said display screen, and for controlling a direction of display of the image by rotating said image according to ~~a rotation of the display screen determined by said posture detecting means~~ previously stored read addresses read in accordance with the detected angular component and not rotating at least one of the other images; wherein

said displaying direction control means controls the direction of display of said image by rotating said image according to the rotation of the display screen beyond a predetermined range.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The information processing apparatus according to claim 3, wherein;

said displaying direction control means controls the direction of display of said image by rotating said image when the display screen remains rotated beyond the predetermined range after a predetermined time.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein;

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said displaying direction control means controls the direction of display of said selected image by rotating said selected image according to the rotation of the display screen beyond a predetermined range.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The information processing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein;

said displaying direction control means controls the direction of display of said selected image by rotating said selected image when the display screen remains rotated beyond the predetermined range after a predetermined time.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An information processing method comprising:
a display processing step of displaying a plurality of separate images on a display screen;
a detection processing step of detecting an angular component of a change of posture of the display screen with a three-axis gyro sensor;
a mode setting step of setting a first mode in which all of the plurality of separate images are to be rotated, a second mode in which a selected image of the plurality of separate images is to be rotated, and a third mode in which none of the plurality of separate images are to be rotated
a selection processing step of selecting the selected image when the second mode is set; and
a displaying direction control processing step of controlling a direction of display of the selected image by rotating the selected image according to ~~a rotation of said display screen determined by said detection processing step~~ previously stored read addresses read in

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accordance with the detected angular component and not rotating at least one of the other of the plurality of images.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The information processing method according to claim 7, wherein;

said display processing step displays a plurality of windows as the plurality of images, and controls the direction of display of a selected window from the plurality of windows according to the rotation of the display screen.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An information processing method comprising:

a display processing step of displaying separate images on a display screen;

a detection processing step of detecting an angular component of a change of posture of the display screen with a three-axis gyro-sensor;

a mode setting step of setting a first mode in which all of the separate images are to be rotated, a second mode in which an image of the separate images is to be rotated, and a third mode in which none of the separate images are to be rotated;

a selection processing step of selecting the image when the second mode is set; and

a displaying direction control processing step of controlling a direction of display of the image by rotating said image according to ~~a rotation of the display screen determined by said detection processing step~~ previously stored read addresses read in accordance with the detected angular component and not rotating at least one of the other images; wherein

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said image according to the rotation of the display screen beyond a predetermined range.

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Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The information processing method according to claim 9, wherein;

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said image when the display screen remains rotated beyond the predetermined range after a predetermined time.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The information processing method according to claim 7, wherein;

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said selected image according to the rotation of the display screen beyond a predetermined range.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The information processing method according to claim 11, wherein;

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said selected image when the display screen remains rotated beyond the predetermined range after a predetermined time.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A medium for storing a program which causes an information processing apparatus to execute a processing, the processing comprising:

a display processing step of displaying a plurality of separate images on a display screen;

a detection processing step of detecting an angular component of a change of posture of the display screen ~~with a three-axis gyro sensor~~;

a mode setting step of setting a first mode in which all of the plurality of separate images are to be rotated, a second mode in which a selected image of the plurality of separate images is to be rotated, and a third mode in which none of the plurality of separate images are to be rotated;

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a selection processing step of selecting the selected image when the second mode is set; and

a displaying direction control processing step of controlling a direction of display of the selected image by rotating said selected image according to ~~a rotation of said display screen determined by said detection processing step~~ previously stored read addresses read in accordance with the detected angular component and not rotating at least one of the other of the plurality of images.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): A medium for storing a program which causes an information processing apparatus to execute a processing, the processing comprising:

a display processing step of displaying separate images on a display screen;

a detection processing step of detecting an angular component of a change of posture of the display screen ~~with a three-axis gyro sensor~~;

a mode setting step of setting a first mode in which all the separate images are to be rotated, a second mode in which an image of the separate images is to be rotated, and a third mode in which none of the separate images are to be rotated;

a selection processing step of selecting the image when the second mode is selected; and

a displaying direction control processing step of controlling a direction of display of the image by rotating said image according to ~~rotation of the display screen determined by the detection processing step~~ previously stored read addresses read in accordance with the detected angular component and not rotating at least one of the other images; wherein

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said image according to the rotation of the display screen beyond a predetermined range.

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Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The medium for storing the program according to claim 14, wherein;

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said image when the display screen remains rotated beyond the predetermined range after a predetermined time.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): The medium for storing the program according to claim 13, wherein;

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said selected image according to the rotation of the display screen beyond a predetermined range.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The medium for storing the program according to claim 16, wherein;

said displaying direction control processing step rotates said selected image when the display screen remains rotated beyond the predetermined range after a predetermined time.

Claims 18-19 (Canceled).